

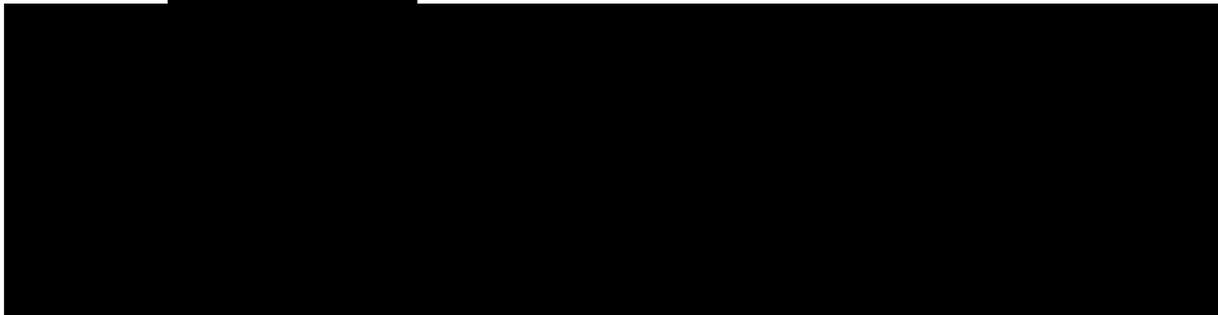
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SUBJECT Organization and Personnel of the FDGB in Halle and K3then  
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1. The Freier Deutscher Gewerkschaftsbund (FDGB) was re-established in July 1945. Formerly the individual unions were independent organs which made all their own decisions and executed them, even to controlling their own funds, only giving over to the federation a stipulated percent of their income. The FDGB, however, was not founded on the principles of the pre-1933 organization, but was constructed entirely in accordance with the system in use throughout the Russian occupation.
2. The Freier Deutscher Gewerkschaftsbund consists of the industrial and the non-industrial unions and the FDGB (apparently also a union organization within the Freier Deutscher Gewerkschaftsbund, comparable to the industrial unions and non-industrial unions). The main organ is the FDGB Bundesvorstand in Berlin which dictates its decisions and orders to the industrial and non-industrial unions, who in turn put these resolutions and orders into execution.
3. The most in social benefits offered by the FDGB are death benefits and accidental death benefits. From time to time old union members who have been members for a long time and can prove union membership of 20 years prior to 1 May 1933 can secure old age poverty benefits (Notfall-Unterstützung) also.
4. FDGB Organization in the East Zone:

The FDGB Bundesvorstand in Berlin.  
The Zentralvorstände of the industrial and of the non-industrial unions.

a. The following are the industrial unions: \*

- Construction
- Garment workers (Bekleidung)
- Miners
- Actors (Bühne)
- Chemical workers
- Power
- Railroads
- Health
- Graphic crafts
- Commerce

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- Wood workers
- Agriculture and Forestry workers
- Leather workers
- Metal workers
- Necessities and Luxuries workers (Nahrung- und Genussmittel)
- Postal and Telephone System workers
- Textile workers
- Transport workers

b. The following are the non-industrial unions:

- Artists
- Teachers and Educators
- Insurance, Bank and Administrative workers (VBV - Versicherungs-, Banken, Verwaltungen)

c. There are also the following organizations:

- FDGB Landesvorstand in Brandenburg
- FDGB Landesvorstand in Mecklenburg
- FDGB Landesvorstand in Saxony
- FDGB Landesvorstand in Saxony-Anhalt (Halle)
- FDGB Landesvorstand in Thuringia
- Landesvorstände of the Industrial Unions
- Landesvorstände of the non-Industrial Unions

5. The FDGB Landesvorstand in Halle:

- Vorstand: Chairman - Rudolf Maisel  
Deputy chairman - Arnold Beck
- Secretariat: Director - Horst Weiss  
- Lungewitz and Brandtschädel have resigned.
- Youth: Director - Horst Weiss
- Organization: Director - (fnu) Lungewitz  
- formerly Hermann Rössler
- Personnel: Director - (fnu) Eborle  
also active - (fnu) Möbius, (fnu) Berlach, (fnu) Obst.
- Main Land  
Treasury: Director - Franz Kirchhoff  
also active - (fnu) Hollmann, (fnu) Toedtman, (fnu) Huebsch,  
(fnu) Hölme, (fnu) Schaffer, (fnu) Müller,  
(fnu) Blumentritt, (fnu) Schonderf.  
auditors - (fnu) Berg and (fnu) Suchatzki.
- Vacation service: .....  
(Feriendienst)

6. The FDGB and the IG's in K8then:

- Kreis Secretariat: Chairman - Otto Mertens  
Deputy chairman - Kurt Clauss  
employee - C. Leibold
- Kreis Treasury: Director - (fnu) Keiner  
employees - (fnu) Senst, (fnu) Kopal, (fnu) Jahr,  
(fnu) Steinbrück.

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Orts Vorstand:	Chairman	- Fritz Greie
	Organization	- Otto Hildebrandt
	Training	- Otto Grube
	Youth	- Brigitte Lippert
	employees	- Christa Wagner and Trudel Püschel
	auditors	- Max Klauske and Bruno Schlager

7. Industrial and non-industrial unions: \*\*

a. The following are the industrial unions and their directors: \*

Construction	-	Alfred Gravert
Garment workers (Bekleidung)	-	(fnu) Schoepe (honorary)
Miners	-	in Bitterfeld
Actors (Bühne)	-	(fnu) Propf (honorary)
Chemical workers	-	Walter Rietz
Railroads	-	Bruno Schlager (honorary)
Power	-	(fnu) Hädicke (honorary)
Health	-	The Bezirksvorstand chairman is (fnu) Ehrich, a paid official. The Ortsvorstand chairman is (fnu) Scheer, an honorary official.
Graphic crafts	-	Ernst Winter (honorary)
Wood workers	-	Fritz Storbeck (honorary)
Agriculture and Forestry workers	-	(fnu) Lohmann (honorary)
Leather workers	-	(fnu) Neidhardt (honorary)
Metal workers	-	(fnu) Leger
Necessities and Luxuries workers (Nahrung- und Genuss)	-	Paul Kahlow
Postal workers	-	(fnu) Schulz (honorary)
Textile workers	-	Frau (fnu) Becker (honorary)
Transport workers	-	(fnu) Reichelt
VEV	-	Frau (fnu) Klingberg

b. The following are the non-industrial unions and their directors: \*

Commerce	-	(fnu) Brandt (honorary)
Artists	-	(fnu) Zeidler (honorary)
Teachers and Educators	-	Professor (fnu) Prüfer (honorary)

8. Employees of the industrial unions: \*\*

Construction:	Ursula Ihlo
Chemical workers:	Dolores Renneberg
Health:	Frl. (fnu) Fiedler
Agriculture and Forestry workers:	Hildegard Kurek
	Gisela Wetterny
	Ursula Seiferth
	(fnu) Richter ***
	(fnu) Lippert ***
Metal workers:	Frl. (fnu) Steinbrück
Necessities and Luxuries workers:	Frl. (fnu) Rolf
Transport workers:	Frau Erna Voigt

9. The following persons have resigned: \*\*

Karl Kaluza	Heinrich Grüss
Willy Peschmann	(fnu) Schneider
Günther Ernst	Robert Dreilich
Günther Jacobsen	Dr. (fnu) Jacob

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(fnu) Schramm  
Franz Springer  
Ernst Schultz  
Hans Jochem  
Waldemar Küssel  
Anny Greiner  
Mathilde Madry

(fnu) Georges MD  
Otto Jacob  
Hermann Reichardt  
(fnu) Bischoff  
Max Zabel  
Paul Kirstein  
Wilhelm Theuerjahr

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[REDACTED] Comment: In paragraph 4 source lists Commerce under the industrial unions and the VEV under the non-industrial unions. But in paragraph 7 they are listed in reverse; that is Commerce as a non-industrial union and the VEV as an industrial union. It is not known whether this was intentional or an error.

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[REDACTED] Comment: Presumably in Köthen, although source does not so state specifically.

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[REDACTED] Comment: Source is unclear whether Richter and Lippert should be listed under the Agriculture and Forestry workers as given in this report, or under the Leather workers. The assumption is, however, as given.

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